

#### THE LEGISLATURE.

This is the last week that the Legislature will be in session. It is scheduled to adjourn next Saturday, as the limited time of forty days with per diem will have about expired. It is to be hoped that the members will not disgrace the State next Saturday night by keeping the hands of the clock turned back and running the session away into Sunday, possibly adjourning after day light Sunday morning, as has sometimes been the case. Their work is not so important as to necessitate such action, and were it so important they have had sufficient time in which to do it before.

We have already commented on the principal work of the session but a running sketch of the greatest measures which have come up will not be amiss. The appropriation of fifty thousand dollars to the Charleston Exposition was passed.

The child labor question was postponed until the next session, when it will come up in greater force than ever. The wide tire bill was postponed until the next session, which virtually means its death. The appropriation of an extra \$100,000 to pensioners in the Confederate war, making the appropriation \$200,000, passed the House by a large majority and the Senate will hardly have the nerve to kill it outright. It looks as if it is at least safe to expect an increase of \$50,000 for pensions, as the Senate will probably compromise the amount. The Senate has killed the appropriation of an extra \$100,000 for the public schools, and the State colleges will have to have their usual appropriations, as the most of them now have about as little as they can afford to run on. A good bill known as an insurance inspection bill was carried over to next session, as was also all legislation on the convict leasing system and matters touching the county government law. The dispensary was untouched, and the Congressional redistricting measure will come up again in full force next session.

The House has passed a bill to permit the redemption within six months of lands sold for taxes and the Senate ought to kill it. Graduates of the Charleston Medical College will be allowed to practice without further examination, and a bill to elect county dispensers was killed.

As effects as locally, the fee system of charges in the Clerk's office is restored and a joint resolution has been introduced by Mr. Galluchat to inquire into the financial affairs of the county for ten years back.

The general appropriation bill is larger than ever before in the State's history, and it looks as if the session has been a harmonious one and will end in good feeling. This is creditable.

It was necessary under the constitution for the session to meet and transact all routine business. Taken all in all we could see no need of great radical legislation. They are therefore to be congratulated that they have done no great evil.

The spirit of war seems to be in the air throughout the entire world, and the year 1901 finds many peoples in a state of restlessness. Not only does war exist in the Philippines and South Africa, but two or three South American republics are practically in a state of insurrection, and the Kingdom of Spain itself is said to be ready to break out at any time with internal strife. Cuba and China are now under military rule, and where shall we expect it to breakout next.

For the information of those who may not know, we will mention that the law of Kansas specifically declares saloons to be nuisances and gives authority to private people as well as to officials to abate them. Hence Mrs. Nation!

We should like to hear what the Commoner thinks of Olney and Towne as candidates at the next election.

**\$100 Reward, \$100.**  
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dishonest person in the State. The reward is for the person who will furnish information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person who has stolen the money of the State. The reward is for the person who will furnish information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person who has stolen the money of the State. The reward is for the person who will furnish information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person who has stolen the money of the State.

Mrs. Nation is reported to have cut her face in a recent raid. It couldn't have been her cheek, could it?

#### Cures Rheumatism or Catarrh in a Day.

**Treatment Free.**  
B. B. R. (Botanic Blood Balm) cures the worst and most stubborn cases by draining the poison out of the blood and bones, and building up the broken down constitution. It cures rheumatism, neuralgia, swollen glands, drooping in the throat, hawking, spitting or bad breath, etc., all disappear promptly and permanently. B. B. R. cures where all else fails. Druggists, S. L. Treatment of B. B. R. sent absolutely free and prepaid by writing to Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice given in your skin, and makes the blood redder and more nourishing, stopping all aches and pains. It is the only medicine sold by B. B. R. Sold by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

The end of the Boer war is evidently near at hand; they do not win more than one victory a day nowadays.

#### Pneumonia Can Be Prevented.

This disease always results from a cold or an attack of the grip and may be prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. That remedy was extensively used during the epidemics of influenza of the past few years, and it not only prevented the disease, but it did not recover or that resulted in pneumonia, which shows it to be a certain preventive of these diseases. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has earned a world wide reputation for its cures of colds and grip. For sale by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.

Things look blue for the subsidy bill just now; but by next week things may change. The bill must be used to ups and downs by now.

#### La Grippe Quickly Cured.

"In the winter of 1899 and 1900 I was taken down with severe attack of what is called La Grippe," says F. L. Hewett, a prominent druggist of Winston, Ill. "The only medicine I used was a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It broke up the cold and stopped the cough. I have since used it in every case of cold or grip, and it has never failed me. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy can always be depended upon to break up a severe cold and ward off any threatened attack of pneumonia. It is pleasant to take, too, which makes it the most desirable and one of the most popular remedies in use for these ailments." For sale by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.

Andrew Carnegie has sold his armor making plant because he considers war dishonorable. However, he has retained a mortgage of some \$160,000,000 on it.

#### To Cure A Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Broom-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. For sale by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.

David B. Hill has refused the Democratic nomination for 1904. It seems to us that he also refused it in 1900 and 1896. Please correct us if we are wrong in this belief.

A powerful engine cannot be run with a weak boiler, and we can't keep up the strain of an active and powerful life with a weak stomach. We can stop the human machine to make repairs. If the stomach cannot digest enough food to keep the body strong, such a preparation as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure should be used. It digests what you eat and it simply can't help but do you good. The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.

What is the new woman coming to? The co-eds in Chicago are demanding latch keys, and the right to remain out until after midnight. This is coming it a little too strong.

**CASTORIA.**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Castor*

The President shook up the dry bones in the army pretty effectively when he made those promotions the other day. So far as we can see, however, they were all well merited.

When you want a remedy that is mild and gentle, easy to take and powerful in effect use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price, 25 cents. Samples free. Every box contains a full description of the medicine. For sale by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.

The South Carolina and West Indian Exposition which opens in Charleston the first of next December is going to be a great gathering of commercial people, people prospecting for settlements, business investments etc. Every county in the State should have an exhibit, and some of the counties are already taking steps in that direction. We want to see Charleston take her place in the front rank of county exhibits, and we urge the people throughout the county to begin now and give the matter some serious thought. Before long we hope to present to the people of the county a plan for making an exhibit, and until then or some one else presents one we hope all our public spirited citizens will begin revolving this matter in their minds. It is thoroughly a patriotic and public spirited purpose, and one in which everybody should be willing to pull together.

#### CAPITAL CORRESPONDENCE.

SENATE CHAMBER.  
Columbia, S. C., Feb. 11, 1901.

We are now on our last week, matters not finished next Friday will be ticked away into the legislative refrigerator to be kept over until the next session. It is not great pity that of the bills which have been enacted into law, and had not found their way into the legislative graveyard. The bill to permit graduates of the Charleston Medical College to practice without going before the State board of medical examiners, one of the most important bills of the session, has been opposed this bill because it regarded it a measure tending with danger and dividing results; it would injure the standing of the college and its graduates. I opposed the bill on the further ground that it was the work of the makers to throw around the people every safeguard possible. The doing away with the State board examination is simply opening the doors to malpractice, quackery and charlatanism. The people are the losers; and as the Columbia State property is in a very strong editorial, "It is a good bill to kill." But it was not killed. It passed the Senate by a majority of two votes, notwithstanding the fact that the most painful and pressing appeals were made to members to reject the measure, and a strong lobby worked hard for its passage, still with all the bill got through "by the skin of its teeth" and it is now up to the governor where we hope it is removed from that sickly poverty sentiment which clung to it during its passage.

The wide tire bill was continued over to the next session and leaves us with a breathing spell for at least one year more. The bill to prohibit children under 12 years of age from working in the factories was defeated in the House by a majority of about 2 to 1, and a similar bill came up afterwards in the Senate. It was opposed by the same forces, and it is considered that it will be reported a proposition to continue it over to the next session, on the ground that it was a waste of time and money to take up the time of the Senate with a measure that the House had already indicated its opposition to there was no possibility of passing it, and further I am opposed to the legislature dictating what parents shall do with their children. It is such legislation which brings about labor troubles and the people intended to be helped are the ones who are injured. When South Carolina has in operation a compulsory education law, then perhaps would a child labor law be effective, but without it, would be taking the children away from making a living for their parents, and it is a sad thing to add to the army of tramps, vagrants, and dissolute women. The majority in the Senate voted down the proposition to continue, many of them had speeches to deliver and deliver they did, and the result was the cost to the people. The speeches on this one bill occupied three evenings, and some of the speeches were the longest I have ever listened at, but if the Senators who were indicted with all this wind had not been given the opportunity to let it escape, something might have happened.

A bill constituting a commission to investigate the claims of the Republic of the President, Directors and Company of the State Bank, to find certain bonds of the State which have been lost or destroyed, was killed. These bonds were issued before the war and as the books in the treasurer's office show they have never been paid, and the owners thereof have never been found. It appears that during the war they were stolen by Sherman's army and were either destroyed or lost; only a part have been recovered. The bill provided for a judicial inquiry to be made, and as amended, before any authority to pay would have been given, after a judicial inquiry by a commission composed of circuit judges and the supreme court as the final source, then the findings were to be reported back to the legislature for its approval. The matter took a wide range of argument, some contending that the statute of limitations should apply, and others contending that it should be investigated to ascertain whether or not the State owed this money. So on the motion to strike out the enactment words, which motion prevailed I voted "No."

"Because I do not believe that South Carolina desires to repudiate any honest debt, and as the records show, the bonds have not been paid, the question arises to whom do these bonds belong. The amendments offered by Senators Livingston and McMillan make provision for the bonds to be investigated by judicial inquiry as to the validity and ownership, and having full confidence in our Courts, I believe that the interests of the taxpayers would be fully protected against any fraudulent claims. This, I believe, to be just to the State and to the people."

In the House Doctor Woods came to the rescue of Winthrop when the attempt was made to cut out her appropriation. He made a strong and telling speech and the attempt was defeated.

Doctor Woods' emigrant agent bill came from the judiciary committee with an unfavorable report, but notwithstanding the committee composed of lawyers they did not escape severe criticism from Dr. Woods. He pressed his measure with a strong speech and ripped the committee up the back for the extraordinary finding that the bill be continued. The bill passed the House and is now in the Senate.

When the Confederate pension bill came up the House went wild, the halls rang with eloquent speeches. Mr. Galluchat responded to the appeal of the young men to come to the rescue of the veterans, and in substance said: "I was too young to smell powder from '61 to '65. I am glad the gentleman over the way referred to the reward for the freest people applied to you, worthy sons of honored sires, to do your duty to the highest type of patriotism and military civilization that the world has ever seen, and do it now, in the twilight, the evening, in the dark and the night of his existence while time whitens his locks and slackens his steps and sends him tottering to the grave."

The motion was lost and the amendment adopted by a vote of 91 to 24. Mr. Richardson also spoke eloquently in behalf of the additional \$100,000 for pensions. We could not get an extract of his remarks but we are told that he acquitted himself handsomely. The House also voted to report the \$100,000 proposition for free schools.

Major Richardson advanced the recommending of a bill granting to Berkeley county exemption from the seed cotton license law. He took the position that it would seriously affect those living on the confines of contiguous counties, and particularly in the case of Clarendon county. Major Richardson's opposition to this bill was a large factor in bringing about its death. Introduced by the committee on offices and officers.

A Joint Resolution authorizing and requiring the county board of commissioners of Clarendon county to have thoroughly investigated its present condition of the works of the public offices of Clarendon county for the last past ten years.

Mr. Galluchat, the author, submitted the resolution with the approval of my self and Dr. Woods. Major Richardson said "no specific charges had been made to him of any necessity for this inspection, but as the author of the resolution, no doubt he had good and sufficient reason for his measure, he would not throw any obstacle, on behalf of his constituents, to the resolution, but thought it should be through the grand jury, and not through the committee on offices and officers."

Mr. Galluchat said that on behalf of the people of Clarendon county, and her officers against whom no "remissions of duty" should be changed as was done by the special order of the legislature Mr. Brooker, against some of our officers, he insisted that an investigation should be had, as a matter of justice to the people and the officers who might now be living under the suspicion of wrongdoing. If the investigation is made, and if it can be reached in time, it will pass.

When the appropriation bills get over in my department I am sorry to say that there is a wide difference of opinion between the House members and myself. They favored the bill for the \$200,000 pension and \$100,000 free school appropriations and I will not. My reason is simply this: The veterans only ask for \$12,000, which is \$50,000 more than they have ever received, and which amount I am willing they should have. Now to give them \$200,000 is simply giving more than the State is able to give without increasing the tax levy. I will vote for no measure which will increase the tax levy. We are paying a State levy of five mills and it is already too high, and to add additional taxes to give to politicians to distribute for political favor, will have no support from me. I am a strong advocate of free schools, but I will vote against the \$100,000 appropriation because this appropriation will not come out of the State treasury, but requires each county to make an addition to its levy, thus forcing the people into voting upon themselves more taxes, in the guise of an appropriation. I regard it as a State levy of five mills and it is already too high, and to add additional taxes to give to politicians to distribute for political favor, will have no support from me. I am a strong advocate of free schools, but I will vote against the \$100,000 appropriation because this appropriation will not come out of the State treasury, but requires each county to make an addition to its levy, thus forcing the people into voting upon themselves more taxes, in the guise of an appropriation. 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